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PROTEINS AND/OR
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Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 21 and 22.

6. Once amended Method according to claim 11, 4 or 5,
wherein the proteolytic cleavage site is used to cleave the
polypeptide or subunit in step 2 from the IgG binding domain
of streptavidin protein A bound to the support material.